

# South Dakota National Guard

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## **Schlotterback named new 152nd CSSB commander**

PIERRE, S.D. – Lt. Col. Timothy Schlotterback, of Sioux Falls, assumed command of the South Dakota Army National Guard's 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, during a ceremony, Oct. 1, at the Pierre National Guard Armory.

Schlotterback took over command from Lt. Col. Jade Beehler, of Spencer, Iowa, who led the battalion since July 2014. Beehler will become the new defense movement coordinator for Joint Force Headquarters.

As commander, Schlotterback is responsible for command and control of approximately 550 Soldiers in the battalion's seven assigned units and detachments located throughout the eastern side of the state.

"I am honored and blessed to have the opportunity to be the battalion commander of the 152nd CSSB," said Schlotterback. "The dedication, professionalism and high standards that have been established by the Soldiers in this battalion are why the South Dakota Army National Guard has a reputation of excellence nationwide, and I am proud to be part of the team."

Schlotterback addressed his new command, expressing his commitment to providing the units with the resources and support necessary to sustain tough, challenging and realistic training, allowing them to uphold the tradition of being the best of the best.

"We will continue to strive for excellence in everything that we do and focus our efforts on those areas that will result in increased readiness, keeping our units relevant and ready to perform any state or federal mission," he added.

Schlotterback began his military career in July 1989 in the U.S. Army as a cannon crew member stationed with the 1st Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kansas. He left active duty in 1992 and joined the South Dakota Army National Guard as an administration specialist with the 139th Transportation Battalion in Brookings. He earned his bachelor's degree in agricultural engineering from South Dakota State University in May 1997 and received his commission as a second lieutenant in December 1997.

Schlotterback has held command and staff positions in the 1742nd Transportation Company, the 727th Transportation Company, the 740th Transportation Company, the 88th Troop Command, the 139th Brigade Support Battalion, Joint Force Headquarters, the 196th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade and the 109th Regional Support Group.

Schlotterback completed two combat tours during his career, deploying to Southwest Asia in support of Operations Desert Shield/Storm from December 1990 to May 1991, and to Kuwait and Iraq in support of Operations Iraqi/Enduring Freedom from January 2003 to April 2004.

In his civilian career, Schlotterback is a process automation engineer at Poet in Sioux Falls.

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**Lt. Col. Timothy Schlotterback:** (U.S. Army National Guard file photo)



**161001-Z-GN330-021:** U.S. Army Lt. Col. Timothy Schlotterback, left, incoming commander of the 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, South Dakota Army National Guard, passes the battalion colors to Command Sgt. Maj. Samuel Harkin, command sergeant major of the 152nd, during the unit's change of command ceremony Oct. 1, 2016, at the National Guard Armory in Pierre, S.D. Schlotterback assumed command from Lt. Col. Jade Beehler and is now responsible for command and control of the battalion's nearly 550 Soldiers in seven assigned units and detachments located throughout central and eastern South Dakota. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Sgt. 1st Class Shannon Crane)



**161001-Z-GN330-007:** U.S. Army Col. Mike Oster, left, 109th Regional Support Group commander, South Dakota Army National Guard, presents Lt. Col. Jade Beehler, outgoing commander of the 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, with the Meritorious Service Medal for his service while in command of the 152nd during the unit's change of command ceremony Oct. 1, 2016, at the National Guard Armory in Pierre, S.D. Beehler turned over command to Lt. Col. Timothy Schlotterback who is now responsible for command and control of the battalion's nearly 550 Soldiers in seven assigned units and detachments located throughout central and eastern South Dakota. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Sgt. 1st Class Shannon Crane)

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